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FM AMEMBASSY BELGRADE

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: CPRS, ELTN, YO

SUBJ: TRAIN DISASTER

1. AT 2230, THURSDAY, MAY 15, 1975 EXPRESS TRAIN  
FROM SKOPJE TO BELGRADE DERAILED BETWEEN  
VRANSKA BANJA AND VRANJSKI PRIBOJ THIRTY MILES NORTH  
OF SKOPJE KILLING 12 PERSONS AND INJURING ABOUT 100.

2. ONLY TWO OF THOSE KILLED HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED SO  
FAR, NEITHER BEING AN AMERICAN CITIZEN. OF THE  
47 HOSPITALIZED, 8 ARE REPORTED SERIOUSLY INJURED, BUT  
NO NAMES ARE AVAILABLE AS YET.

3. DERAILMENT DUE TO RECENT TORRENTIAL RAINS THAT  
UNDERMINED THE SUPPORTING PILLARS AT THE BRIDGE OVER  
THE KORBEVAC RIVER. A NUMBER OF CARRIAGES DERAILED AND  
OVERTURNED WITH SEVERAL SINKING INTO THE RIVER. DISASTER TEAMS  
ARE ON THE SPOT REMOVING THE WRECKAGE, MOVING THE INJURED  
TO THE HOSPITAL IN VRANJE, AND ACCOMMODATING THOSE SLIGHTLY  
INJURED IN VRANJE HOTELS.

4. THERE ARE NO INDICATIONS THAT ANY AMERICANS ARE AMONG  
THOSE HURT, BUT EMBASSY WILL PURSUE FURTHER.  
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